

2016 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 142

BY SENATOR CARTER

FAMILY LAW. Urges the Louisiana State Law Institute to study and make recommendations relative to shared custody.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Louisiana State Law Institute to study and make recommendations
3 regarding the feasibility of revisions to present laws to require physical custody of
4 children to be shared equally.

5 WHEREAS, present laws in Louisiana provide relative to a joint custody decree and
6 implementation order in child custody cases relative to joint custody of children; and

7 WHEREAS, the implementation order allocates the time periods during which each
8 parent shall have physical custody of the child so that the child is assured of frequent and
9 continuing contact with both parents; and

10 WHEREAS, present laws provide that to the extent feasible and considering the best
11 interest of the child, physical custody of children should be shared equally; and

12 WHEREAS, in a child custody proceeding in which joint custody is decreed,
13 physical custody of the children should be required to be shared equally, unless it is not in
14 the best interest of the child.

15 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
16 does hereby urge and request the Louisiana State Law Institute to study and make
17 recommendations regarding the feasibility of revisions to present laws to require physical
18 custody of children to be shared equally.

